

GOVERNMENT OF TELANGANA  
ABSTRACT

Industries & Commerce Department - Constitution of committees for identification of mineral bearing areas, delineation/demarcation and evaluation of mining blocks in terms of the Mineral (Evidence of Mineral Contents) Rules, 2015 – Orders – Issued

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INDUSTRIES AND COMMERCE (MINES-I) DEPARTMENT

G.O.MS.No. 1

Dated: 07-01-2016

Read the following:

1. Govt. of India Gazette Notification No.13 of 2015,  
Dated:27-03-2015.
2. Govt. of India Gazette Notification issued vide GSR (E),  
Dated:17-04-2015.
3. Govt. of India Gazette Notification No. 322 of 2015,  
Dated: 20-05-2015.
4. From the Director of Mines & Geology Letter No.1046/P/2015  
Dated:16-09-2015.

**ORDER:**

In the Notification 1<sup>st</sup> cited, the Government of India, Ministry of Law and Justice (Legislative Department) amended the Mines & Minerals (Development & Regulation) Act, 1957 as the Mines & Minerals (Development & Regulation) Amendment Act, 2015 introducing the allocation of mining blocks through auction as mining lease, prospecting license-cum-mining lease and non-exclusive reconnaissance permit (NERP) basing on the extent of mineral exploration for evaluation of resources into reserves. Further, as per MMDR Amendment Act, 2015 Iron Ore, Manganese Ore, Limestone and Bauxite are declared as Fourth Schedule minerals for allotment as mining lease through auction process. The minerals other than Fourth Schedule minerals having inadequate evidence of data on exploration will be granted under a composite license referred to as PL-cum-ML. Further, the deep seated mineral deposits requiring detailed exploration not having any evidence of data on exploration will be granted under non-exclusive reconnaissance permit, as per MM(D&R) Act,2015.

2. In Notification 2<sup>nd</sup> cited, the Ministry of Mines, Government of India notified the parameters for evaluation of resource into reserves as per the Mineral (Evidence of Mineral Contents) Rules, 2015.

3. In the Notification 3<sup>rd</sup> cited, the Ministry of Mines, Government of India in consultation with SBI CAPS as transaction advisor, notified the Mineral (Auction) Rules, 2015 duly fixing the norms and criteria for allotment of a ML/PL-cum-ML/NERP.

4. Further, as per the Mineral (Evidence of Mineral Contents) Rules, 2015 any mining block to be allotted through auction under mining lease shall be atleast having G2 level on the proveness of the quality and quantity of mineralization for exploitation. Similarly, the allotment of a PL-cum-ML requires a mining block having data at G3 level in terms of the reserves of the mineral. Any mineral occurrence without any qualitative and quantitative assessment is treated as G4 level or preliminary level of information.

5. In view of the above, to achieve the above object, the Government, after careful examination of the matter, hereby constitute the following committee in order to bring in expediency in identification of mineral resources, demarcation of the mineral bearing areas on ground for systematic investigation and exploration propose:

(p.t.o)

Sl. No	Committee	Terms of Reference	Members
1	I	Initial identification of resources	GSI, IBM, DMG & TSMDC
2	II	Demarcation of identified mineral resource areas	GSI & DM&G, SCCL, TSMDC, Revenue/Forest Depts.
3	III	1. Evaluation of private Exploration agencies for empanelment.	GSI, IBM, MECON or any other Technical Agency including State Government agencies such as SCCL as decided by the state Government
		2. Evaluation of viable Mineral blocks for auction.	

6. The Director of Mines and Geology shall take necessary further action for preparedness for the auction of mineral Blocks by the State Government.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF TELANGANA STATE)

ARVIND KUMAR  
SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT & CIP

**To**

The Director of Mines and Geology, Telangana State, Hyderabad  
The Vice Chairman & Managing Director, Telangana State Mineral Development Corporation Ltd., Hyderabad.

All the District Collectors/Joint Collectors in the state of Telangana through Director of Mines and Geology, Hyderabad.

All the Departments of Telangana Secretariat.

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P.S. to Principal Secretary to the Hon'ble Chief Minister.

P.S. to Hon'ble Minister for Mines and Geology.

P.S. to Chief Secretary to Government.

P.S. to Secretary to Government & CIP, Industries & Commerce Department.

P.S. to Secretary to Government, Industries & Commerce Department.

The Joint Directors/Deputy Directors/Assistant Directors of Mines and Geology Dept., through the Director of Mines & Geology, Hyderabad.

The Law (A) Department.

The General Administration (Cabinet) Department.

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